

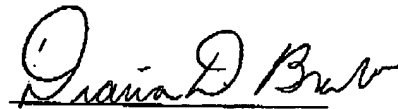
REMARKS

In an Office Action, mailed, 6-Feb-2004, the Examiner has allowed claims 1-6, rejected claim 7, and objected to claims 8-11. The Examiner states that claims 8-11 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant cancels claim 7 and has rewritten claims 8-11 to overcome the Examiner's objections. Currently pending in the case are claims 1-6 and 8-11. Applicant submits that the pending claims are now in allowable condition and such allowance is earnestly sought.

Please charge any cost incurred in the filing of this Amendment, along with any other costs, to Deposit Account 06-1510. If there are insufficient funds in this account, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No.06-1505.

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